

Council Bluffs.

STORY OF FIGHT WITH SNOW

Graphic Description of Death of Eugene Snodgrass in Northwest.

WANDERED FROM WIRE IN STORM

Faithful Dog Gave Alarm in Men Two Miles Off, but They Did Not Understand and Made No Attempt to Rescue.

A long letter was received yesterday from Mrs. Eugene Snodgrass, nee Miss Clara Bonham, of Council Bluffs, giving detailed accounts of the incidents leading up to the death of her husband in the wilds of the British northwest country, 300 miles from the nearest railroad and 800 miles from the United States.

The letter came to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Bonham, 228 Harmon street, and is the first of the kind to come to them since they were notified by wire of the death of the young bride's husband, which was received by telegraph on December 17.

The letter verifies in all details the story of his death from exhaustion and cold while discharging his duties as a mail carrier on the telegraphic work for the Canadian government near Hazelton on the Skeena river, a tributary of the Yukon. It also verifies the story that the news of his death was kept from the young wife and the shock softened as far as possible.

The letter tells of a frightful snowstorm and blizzard that raged for the telegraph line and of young Snodgrass leaving his home twenty miles from Hazelton on Sunday evening, December 11, at 7:30 o'clock, going to the next camp, two miles away, and starting along the line Monday morning at 8 o'clock. He was never seen again alive. When he failed to report he was believed he had reached a test camp ten miles away, and the search for him was not begun until Wednesday, when men following his tracks through the snow found his body. He was last heard from at the test camp, where he talked with Hazelton at 11 o'clock Monday.

Dog Tried to Give Alarm. The narrative of Mrs. Snodgrass tells of the faithful dog Uno, that accompanied his master, and when the latter fell from exhaustion how the dog returned to McLeod's camp Monday at 3 o'clock and sought in every way to enlist help.

The letter says: "The dog scratched and barked at the door and when let in sprang upon me and barked at me as if he had seen me. When I couldn't understand him he laid down in the middle of the floor and I never heard such mournful howls in my life."

The tracks showed that young Snodgrass wandered fourteen miles in the snow and cold before he stiffened in death. There were two trails leading to the test cabin. In going Snodgrass had occupied the river route, the easier one, but in returning, searching for the broken line, he followed the wire through the dense woods. He had become nearly exhausted and had stuck his axe in a tree and hung his canvas coat and tools upon it, then he attempted to walk across to the test camp. The snow was from nine inches to four feet deep, but in some places in the forest the ground was bare.

The Last Struggle. Underneath a cedar and cottonwood tree where the wind had swept away the snow he had made his last struggle. He had removed his sweater and stockings and plunged again into the snow. The tracks led fifteen feet beyond where the body was found. The arms were outstretched and the man lay partly on his side as if asleep, with not a trace of suffering on his countenance.

Death evidently came after his dog left him Monday afternoon. If the faithful animal could have made his friends understand the boy would have been saved. The dog's tracks led straight from where the body lay to McLeod's camp, only two miles away. The camp from which he started is about twenty miles from Hazelton. Mrs. Snodgrass was not notified of the tragedy until Friday, and was first told that death had come mercifully by electric shock.

The letter of Mrs. Snodgrass is accompanied by a map of the route showing the location of the camps and the course taken by her husband. There can be no transportation facilities secured until April 1 when river navigation opens. The mail is carried 300 miles by dog sleds and no attempt is made at more than one trip a month.

S. B. Wadsworth Dies at Home in City

Expires After Illness of Sixteen Months of Paralysis—Prominent Member of Local Bar.

S. B. Wadsworth died last evening at his residence, 311 South Eighth street, after an illness of sixteen months, of paralysis. He lacked two months of being 60 years old.

Mr. Wadsworth was one of the best known citizens of Council Bluffs and for years was a prominent member of the local bar. He arose to his position at the bar by the sheer force of his strong character. When he first came to Council Bluffs, more than twenty years ago, he engaged in the real estate business and was very successful. While engaged in that work he completed his law studies, and when he became a member of the Council Bluffs bar few of his fellows had a better foundation for a successful career. Mr. Wadsworth was active in political matters and was frequently called upon to lead his party when the hope of victory was most forlorn. He was twice elected county attorney and served one term as city solicitor, making special records in each office. The social characteristics of his nature made him prominent in the affairs of local fraternal organizations. He was always popular in the membership of the Masons, Odd Fellows, O'Woodmen of the World, Redmen, and was one of the charter members of the Council Bluffs lodge of Elks.

Mr. Wadsworth is survived by his widow and one son, Paul E., and one daughter, Mrs. Glen F. Reed, who both reside here. It is probable that a meeting of the Bar association will be called today to give fitting expression of the regret that will be felt by his fellow lawyers. Arrangements for the funeral will be announced later.

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Consent Petition's Validity Will Depend Upon a Technicality

Objections Raised to Enough Names on Withdrawal Petition to Dispose of It.

Around a table piled high with gray and well worn manuscripts, upon which were scribbled names of more or less illegibility to the number of 5,000, the Board of County Supervisors spent all day yesterday in the heavy task of determining whether the required majority of qualified voters in Pottawattamie county had signed the saloon consent petition.

The board remained in session until after 6 o'clock and still the task was not completed. All of the work, however, was done, with the exception of reaching a decision upon the number of the names on the withdrawal petition to be considered as fulfilling the purpose prescribed by law. This decision will not be reached until some time today, although the board was partly inclined last evening to hold a private conference for the purpose of expediting matters.

Yesterday was the hardest day the new board has encountered. There was a constant colloquial battle between the opposing attorneys, prompted frequently by the suggestions of the interested parties on both sides. The whole day was spent upon the withdrawal petition. The hurried manner in which it had been prepared permitted much carelessness and it was presented in a very ragged condition. Specific objections were made to sixty-four names and eight more were technically objected to. Messrs. Tinley and Hess, counsel for the consent petitioners, called for the application of the rule agreed to on the previous day, when it was insisted upon by the other side, of rejecting all names that were technically defective, and the battle was fought on these grounds.

There were several copies of the withdrawal petition that bore no date after many of the names, and others where the year had been left out after the first signature, but carried down to the end of the page by a string of ditto marks. These were also objected to.

In their summing up, the attorneys for the consent petitioners asked the board to refuse to consider all of the withdrawals when signed under headings that were likewise explicit, as for example, where the heading stated that the withdrawals were "from a petition heretofore circulated," but failing to tell when by giving the year. In others the defective headings stated that the withdrawals were from "a petition circulated in Pottawattamie county and filed on the blank day of blank, 1918." Nearly one-half of the withdrawals were defective in this respect, and the attorneys for the saloon men asked the board to reject all such.

Lawyer Turner for the anti-saloon faction contended that the Iowa statute, failing to specify the precise manner in which the signer should proceed to get his name removed, it left him the latitude for the exercise of a personal right.

The objections to the anti-consent petition were finally crystallized in these words dictated by Attorney Hess: "Objection is made to each and every signature on the withdrawal petition for the reason that they are not sufficiently specific; that they do not refer to the petition filed on December 23, 1918; that the said signatures are not identified in the manner prescribed by law and are not verified by proper affidavit; that the affidavits which purport to have been made have no reference to the signatures except in a few instances; that they are mostly on separate sheets of paper which are not identified as a part of the petition to which the signatures were signed and are in no way a part of the withdrawals." A number of other technical objections

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tery by the aide of her husband, who died several years ago.

Robert Henderson left last evening for Des Moines to be present at the party given by the politicians who will mold the course of the legislature, this winter and give the prevailing tint to the political complexion that will be the fashion during the session. Mr. Henderson's interests lie in the selection of the man who is to occupy the office of state printer for the next two years. Although Mr. Henderson's candidacy for the office is only a week old, it had reached a stage of healthy growth, and strong support is being given him in all parts of the state.

This is encouraging his friends in Council Bluffs and southwestern Iowa to redouble their efforts to bring the growing boom to the flowering stage.

When Officers Gillespie, Richardson and Lane were making a hurried search through Fairmount park Wednesday evening in the hope of finding the gang of hoodlums who had been causing trouble in the park, they ran into one of the members of the park zoo. It was the big gray wolf that is kept chained in the rear of the bandstand. For the fraction of a minute the officers had an interesting time. The first intimation they had of any danger was the specter of two fiery eyeballs gleaming out of the darkness, instantly followed by the rattle of a chain. The wolf was on the far side of his tether stake and had to travel twice the radius of his chain, but he was coming with the speed of a meteor. The officers fell back just as the wolf reached the end of his chain, which jerked him high in the air. His teeth snapped viciously almost in their faces. Park Commissioner Graham would have been short one wolf if the chain had been four inches longer and at least one of the officers would have been caring for a sore place.

Elmer L. Fehr had a very unpleasant half hour with Judge Green in the district court yesterday afternoon. He was held into court to answer to charges of contempt that had been preferred against him in connection with his failure to turn over about \$6,000 of money in his possession when he was removed from the guardianship of three minor heirs, the Jones, Bishop and Means children. The court told the deposed guardian that he had been granted three continuances for the purpose of being given an opportunity to pay the money to the new guardians and had made but a few very slight payments, scarcely worth considering, and that if he did not arrange for the payment by 9 o'clock this morning judgment would be pronounced, which would mean a jail sentence. Fehr held a consultation with the attorneys representing the heirs and an agreement was reached that he would sign a deed of trust covering some interests in farm property near Oakland and property in Omaha. Francis Benjamin appeared as prosecutor and N. A. Crawford as counsel for one of the guardians, Sarah E. Means. Attorney Benjamin objected to Mr. Crawford's appearance in the case in that capacity, charging that he really represented Mr. Fehr. He was put on the stand and admitted that he was looking after the interests of Mr. Fehr, and he was excused.

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- COATS**—50 ladies' back coats, worth \$5 to \$10 each, in this sale, at **\$3.00**
- DIAMOND RINGS**—worth \$75, at **\$56.25**
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- DIAMOND RINGS**—worth \$25, at **\$18.75**
- DIAMOND STUDS**—\$25 kind, at **\$18.75**
- DIAMOND CUFF BUTTONS**—\$10 kind, at **\$7.50**
- DIAMOND SCARF PINS**—\$15 kind, at **\$10**
- DIAMOND EAR-RINGS**—\$25 kind, at **\$18.75**
- DIAMOND LOCKETS**—\$10 kind, at **\$7.50**
- CANDLE STICKS**—Brass, \$2.00 to \$5.00 kind, at **\$1.50**
- BAGS**—Ladies' leather bags, fine ones, worth \$25 to \$35, to go in this sale, at each **\$20.00**
- KNIVES and FORKS**—In fine silver plate, six of each, lot is worth \$4.00, but goes at **\$2.50**
- BAGS**—2 fine leather traveling bags, with 10 silver toilet pieces, pair **\$35.00**, at **\$25.00**
- FRAMES**—Sterling, for pictures, 25 kinds, worth \$25 and the \$50 kind go at **\$35.00**
- WATCHES**—\$20 gold filled, at **\$13.50**
- WATCHES**—Gold, \$25 kind, at **\$18.75**
- BROOCHES**—Gold, \$5 kind, at **\$3.00**
- CRAPING DINERS**—\$10 kind, at **\$7.00**
- RINGS**—Signets, \$2 kind, at **\$1.00**
- UMBRELLAS**—\$10 kind, at **\$6.00**
- HAT PINS**—Worth \$3, at each, **75c**
- SCARF PINS**—Worth \$2, at each, **65c**
- DINERS**—Baking, \$10 kind, at **\$5.00**
- PERCOLATORS**—A few choice ones in copper or nickel, to go while they are here, at **1/2 OFF**
- CUT GLASS**—About 275 highest grade pieces are offered during this sale at **1/2 OFF**
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- MESH BAGS**—Worth \$25, at **\$10**
- POBS**—Men's, worth to \$10, at **\$5.50**
- L. A. V. A. L. I. E. R. S.**—Worth \$20, at **\$10.00**
- FOUNTAIN PENS**—\$5 at **HALF PRICE**
- BELT BUCKLES**—Of all kinds, at **1/2 OFF**
- CHAINS**—For ladies, \$5 and \$10 kinds, go **1/2 OFF**
- BROOCHES**—\$2 and \$3 kinds, at **75c**
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